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With respect to the constitution of JP 01-097413, when the adjustment operation is performed, which allows the optical axis L1 of the semiconductor laser device 2 to coincide with the optical axis L2 (see Fig. 1) of the objective lens 7, the screws 21, 22 are loosened and the side surface 6a of the polarization prism 6 comes in contact with the side surface 23 of the window 1b (page 8, lines 9-13).

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